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- Officials identified January 28 the chemicals involved in a CSX train derailment in Allendale County, South Carolina, and reported that about 19,000 gallons of hydrochloric acid and 4,000 gallons of diesel fuel spilled during the incident January 27 leading to continued cleanup efforts.– *Columbia The State* (See item [4](#))
- Investment advisory firm and broker dealer Oppenheimer & Co. will pay \$20 million in regulatory fines for improperly selling billions of shares of penny stocks in unregistered offerings on behalf of customers. – *USA Today* (See item [8](#))
- The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration proposed a \$1.3 million fine on United Airlines for allegedly violating hazardous material regulations. – *KDVR 31 Denver* (See item [9](#))
- A worker at the Loma Linda University Medical Center in California was arrested January 27 for allegedly stealing \$360,000 worth of Apple MacBooks and iPads from her job site at the medical center. – *Riverside Press-Enterprise* (See item [15](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *January 28, Forum of Fargo-Moorhead* – (North Dakota) **Tanks overflow, cause oil spill near Williston.** Close to 40,000 gallons of oil and brine were spilled when Oasis Petroleum tanks overflowed near Williston, the North Dakota Department of Health announced January 28. Crews contained most of the spill to the site and authorities continue to investigate the incident.
Source: <http://www.inforum.com/news/3666737-tanks-overflow-cause-oil-spill-near-williston>
2. *January 28, Columbia Missourian* – (Missouri) **Copper wire stolen from more than 200 utility poles.** The Columbia Police Department released a report January 27 stating that at least 230 city utility poles in central and northern Columbia had pieces of their essential grounding wire stolen. Columbia Water and Light crews worked to assess the total amount of damage and determine how to replace the wires in order to prevent future thefts.
Source: <http://www.columbiamissourian.com/a/184354/copper-wire-stolen-from-more-than-200-utility-poles/>

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Chemical Industry Sector

3. *January 29, Petersburg Progress-Index* – (Virginia) **Rupture at Honeywell plant causes alarm.** A 100,000-gallon sulfuric acid tank ruptured from being over pressurized while it was being cleaned for inspection at the Honeywell plant in Hopewell January 28 and prompted an evacuation of the facility. Crews used water to contain vapors that were released during the incident and the evacuation order was lifted more than 1 hour later after officials confirmed that testing revealed no detectable levels of sulfuric acid in the air.
Source: <http://www.progress-index.com/article/20150129/NEWS/150129692>
4. *January 28, Columbia The State* – (South Carolina) **Authorities identify chemicals that leaked from train wreck.** The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control reported January 28 that about 19,000 gallons of hydrochloric acid and other acid solutions in addition to 4,000 gallons of diesel fuel, spilled from rail cars that were damaged during a CSX train derailment in Allendale County January 27. Crews used booms to absorb chemicals that spilled into Lower Three Runs Creek and in the Savannah River where the small creek empties.
Source: http://www.thestate.com/2015/01/28/3955948_authorities-identify-chemicals.html?rh=1

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

5. *January 29, Anniston Star* – (Alabama) **Pell City automotive supplier facing possible \$177,500 in OSHA fines.** WKW Erbsloeth North America Inc., a Pell City-based automotive supplier, was cited by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for safety violations following a July 2014 investigation that was initiated after a worker slipped and fell into a tank filled with phosphoric and sulfuric acid. Proposed penalties total \$177,500.
Source: http://www.annistonstar.com/the_daily_home/dh_news/article_a9d5a7a2-a69a-11e4-a76a-ab52608ada0d.html
6. *January 28, Detroit News* – (National) **Toyota recalls 52,000 Avalons for fire risks.** Toyota Motor Corp., announced January 28 a recall for 52,000 model year 2011-2012 Avalon sedans in the U.S. due to a wiring issue with the car's audio system that could result in an intermittent short circuit and cause the subwoofer to overheat, posing possible fire risk.
Source: <http://www.detroitnews.com/story/business/autos/foreign/2015/01/28/toyota-recalls-avalons-fire-risks/22479181/>
7. *January 26, Associated Press*– (National) **Goodyear recalls SUV tires due to tread cracks.** General Motors Co., halted sales for 6,300 Chevrolet Traverse, GMC Acadia, and Buick Enclave vehicles due to a Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. recall for about 48,500 18-inch Fortera HL tires that were initiated after small cracks were found in the tires' thread during endurance testing. The recalled tires were produced at a factory near Lansing, Michigan, between November 2014 and January 2015.
Source: <http://wiat.com/2015/01/26/goodyear-recalls-suv-tires-due-to-tread-cracks/>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

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Financial Services Sector

8. *January 27, USA Today* – (International) **Oppenheimer hit with \$20M in fines.** Investment advisory firm and broker dealer Oppenheimer & Co. will pay \$20 million in regulatory fines for improperly selling billions of shares of penny stocks in unregistered offerings on behalf of customers, failing to file Suspicious Activity Reports, and

withholding and remitting more \$3 million in backup withholding taxes from sale proceeds.

Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2015/01/27/oppenheimer-sec-fine/22396695/>

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Transportation Systems Sector

9. *January 28, KDVR 31 Denver* – (National) **United charged with \$1.3 million penalty for hazardous material violation.** The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposed a \$1.3 million fine on United Airlines for allegedly violating hazardous material regulations after the FAA found 120 cases in 4 cities during inspections where the airline failed to follow regulations. Most of the violations involved failure to notify the pilot of accurate information about hazardous materials onboard.

Source: <http://kdvr.com/2015/01/28/united-charged-with-1-3-million-penalty-for-hazardous-material-violation/>

10. *January 28, Burbank Leader* – (California) **Big rig, trailer collision temporarily shuts down Golden State (5) Freeway.** The California Highway Patrol reported that the Golden State (5) Freeway at Scott Road was closed for approximately 4 hours January 28 after a semi-truck crashed into a disabled trailer that was blocking northbound lanes, and collided with the raised concrete center divider.

Source: <http://www.burbankleader.com/news/tn-blr-big-rig-trailer-collision-temporarily-shuts-down-golden-state-5-freeway-20150128,0,668267.story>

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Food and Agriculture Sector

11. *January 28, U.S. Department of Agriculture* – (Oregon; Washington) **Washington firm recalls boneless beef trim product due to possible E. Coli O157:H7 contamination.** The Food Safety and Inspection Service announced January 28 that Washington Beef, LLC recalled 1,620 pounds of boneless beef trim product due to possible contamination with E. coli O157:H7. The recalled product was produced November 28 and shipped for further processing to a single grinding facility, then on for use in hotels, restaurants, and institutions in Oregon and Washington.

Source: <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/recalls-and-public-health-alerts/recall-case-archive/archive/2015/recall-022-2015-release>

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

12. *January 28, Livingston County Daily Press & Argus* – (Michigan) **Sewer leak blamed on grease buildup in Hartland Twp.** The Livingston County Drain Commissioner reported January 27 that an estimated 3,000 to 5,000 gallons of raw sewage was

discharged in Hartland Township January 26 due to an obstruction caused by grease buildup. Crews took water samples to detect if any sewage escaped the stormwater basins after the obstruction was cleared and the leak was contained.

Source:

<http://www.livingstondaily.com/story/news/local/community/hartland/2015/01/28/sewer-leak-grease-buildup-hartland/22452867/>

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Healthcare and Public Health Sector

13. *January 28, Riverside Press-Enterprise* – (California) **Wildomar: Hospital employee diagnosed with active tuberculosis.** Riverside County public health officials worked with Southwest Healthcare System January 28 to identify patients and staff who were potentially exposed to tuberculosis at Inland Valley Medical Center in Wildomar and Rancho Springs Medical Center in Murrieta after an employee was diagnosed with active tuberculosis. The employee is undergoing treatment and no other employees tested positive for the illness.

Source: <http://www.pe.com/articles/riverside-759106-county-employee.html>

14. *January 28, WRC 4 Washington, D.C.* – (Washington, D.C.) **Masked gunmen target D.C. pharmacies for pills, cash.** Authorities are searching for three suspects in connection to a string of robberies targeting small pharmacies in Washington, D.C. The gunmen seek Percocet, oxycodone, and cash and researched the pharmacies prior to the robberies.

Source: <http://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/Masked-Gunmen-Target-DC-Pharmacies-for-Pills-Cash-290157531.html>

15. *January 28, Riverside Press-Enterprise* – (California) **Redlands: Medical center worker arrested in \$360,000 embezzlement case.** A worker at the Loma Linda University Medical Center in California was arrested January 27 for allegedly stealing \$360,000 worth of Apple MacBooks and iPads from her job site at the medical center.

Source: <http://www.pe.com/articles/redlands-759123-home-embezzlement.html>

16. *January 27, WLKY 32 Louisville* – (Kentucky; Michigan) **Police seize large amounts of prescription pills, money in drug bust at mall.** Police arrested 3 individuals after a drug bust at The Mall St. Matthews in Kentucky, recovering over 3,000 prescription pills from Michigan, cough syrup, disposable visas, cell phones, and more than \$17,000 in cash January 26. An investigation determined that two suspects would travel from Detroit with the prescription pills, and the third suspect, from New Albany, would then sell on the streets.

Source: <http://www.wlky.com/news/police-seize-large-amounts-of-prescription-pills-money-in-drug-bust-at-mall/30950816>

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Government Facilities Sector

17. *January 29, Charlottesville Daily Progress* – (Virginia) **Monticello High School evacuated after bomb threat.** Monticello High School in Charlottesville was evacuated for approximately 3 hours January 28 due to a bomb threat. Police cleared the scene after nothing suspicious was found.
Source: http://www.dailyprogress.com/news/local/monticello-high-school-evacuated-after-bomb-threat/article_41dfabe8-a71c-11e4-8c5b-9fd4cbaab436.html
18. *January 28, Tri-City Herald* – (Washington) **DOE to pay \$44,722 EPA penalty over Hanford waste storage.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency reached a settlement January 28 with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to resolve violations of radioactive and hazardous chemical waste storage requirements at Hanford in Washington after the DOE improperly stored waste at T Plant, plus additional sites at the Central Waste Complex that were not authorized. The DOE agreed to pay a \$44,722 penalty.
Source: http://www.tri-cityherald.com/2015/01/28/3382285_doe-to-pay-44722-epa-penalty-over.html
19. *January 28, Gainesville Sun* – (Florida) **UF gives details about malware attack.** University of Florida officials informed users January 28 that a multi-stage malware that attacked several hundred university computers January 26 was distributed as a Windows ScreenSaver (SCR) that was executable inside a ZIP email attachment. Hundreds of faculty and staff computers were infected before the university was able to place network blocks the on multi-stage malware suite.
Source: <http://www.gainesville.com/article/20150128/ARTICLES/150129567>
20. *January 28, Palm Springs Desert Sun* – (California) **Calif. school releases students unvaccinated for measles.** Officials at Palm Desert High School in Palm Springs announced January 28 that 66 students from the school were ordered to remain at home through February 9 unless they are able to confirm they received immunization or show proof of resistance to measles after a student was sent home January 26 due to a suspected case of the disease. The district initiated the precautionary measure as part of an ongoing outbreak.
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2015/01/28/california-measles-unvaccinated-students-sent-home/22479001/>
21. *January 28, Minneapolis-Saint Paul Star Tribune* – (Minnesota) **Classes to resume at Southwest High Thursday after bomb threat.** Classes resumed at Southwest High School in Minneapolis January 29 after the school received a phoned bomb threat January 27 prompting officials to cancel classes January 28 while they investigated the threat. Police cleared the campus after nothing suspicious was found.
Source: <http://www.startribune.com/local/290074761.html>

Emergency Services Sector

22. *January 28, Associated Press; Houston Chronicle* – (International) **Inmate who fled prison camp in Oklahoma caught in Mexico.** Authorities found an escaped inmate in Mexico the week of January 26 after he walked away from the Satellite Prison Camp in El Reno, Oklahoma, in June 2014. Officials returned the inmate to Houston after receiving a tip from Crime Stoppers indicating the convicted felon was living in Guadalajara.

Source: <http://www.kristv.com/story/27964087/inmate-who-fled-prison-camp-in-oklahoma-caught-in-mexico>

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Information Technology Sector

23. *January 29, Dark Reading* – (International) **ZeroAccess click-fraud botnet back in action again.** Researchers at Dell SecureWorks reported that the ZeroAccess botnet that was disrupted by authorities in 2013, resurfaced and is targeting major search engines and browsers to perpetrate click fraud templates to compromised systems.

Source: <http://www.darkreading.com/zeroaccess-click-fraud-botnet-back-in-action-again/d/d-id/1318865>

24. *January 28, Securityweek* – (International) **Apple fixes tens of vulnerabilities in OSX, iOS, Safari, Apple TV.** Apple released updates for OSC, iOS, Safari and Apple TV addressing a total of 54 security issues and the disabling of all Flash Player plugins prior to versions 16.0.0.296 and 13.0.0.264 following recent reports of Adobe Flash Player zero-days.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/apple-fixes-tens-vulnerabilities-os-x-ios-safari-apple-tv>

25. *January 27, Threatpost* – (International) **GHOST glibc remote code execution vulnerability affects all Linux systems.** Researchers with Qualys discovered a critical vulnerability in the Linux GNU C Library (glibc) known as GHOST that can be triggered by the library's gethostbyname functions that could allow attackers to execute code and remotely gain control of Linux machines.

Source: <https://threatpost.com/ghost-glibc-remote-code-execution-vulnerability-affects-all-linux-systems/110679>

Internet Alert Dashboard

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Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <http://www.it-isac.org>

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Communications Sector

26. *January 28, KENS 5 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Cut fiber cable causes service disruption for Bandera, Bexar counties.** Internet and cellphone services were interrupted for an unknown number of AT&T, Verizon, Cricket, and Sprint customers January 28 in Bandera and Bexar counties in San Antonio after fiber cables were accidentally cut by another company. AT&T confirmed that service in Bandera was restored after several hours.

Source: <http://www.kens5.com/story/news/2015/01/28/bandera-bexar-internet-connection-cell-phone/22507575/>

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Commercial Facilities Sector

27. *January 29, KPIX 5 San Francisco* – (California) **1 dead, 6 hurt, dozens displaced in 4-alarm fire at apartment complex in SF's Mission District.** A 4-alarm fire at an apartment building in San Francisco's Mission District January 28 displaced at least 46 residents from 16 apartment units and damaged a business housed in the structure. One resident died and 6 others were injured during the blaze that took firefighters almost 8 hours to contain.

Source: <http://sanfrancisco.cbslocal.com/2015/01/28/alarm-fire-rages-at-apartment-complex-in-sfs-mission-district/>

28. *January 29, Portland Press Herald* – (Maine) **Two hurt, 24 displaced in Old Orchard Beach fire.** A January 29 fire at the Centennial Plaza apartments in Old Orchard Beach displaced 24 residents and prompted the rescue of 2 individuals. Two individuals were injured during the incident.

Source: <http://www.pressherald.com/2015/01/29/two-hurt-24-displaced-in-old-orchard-beach-fire/>

29. *January 29, New Haven Register* – (Connecticut) **Fire leaves 20 New Haven residents out in bitter cold.** Twenty residents were displaced following a 2-alarm fire that broke out January 29 at a New Haven apartment building. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

Source: <http://wtnh.com/2015/01/29/fire-leaves-20-new-haven-residents-out-in-bitter-cold/>

30. *January 28, Hi-Deseret Star* – (California) **Wal-Mart evacuated on bomb threat.** A bomb threat phoned into a Walmart store in Yucca Valley January 27 prompted an evacuation of the business that lasted more than 2 hours while police searched and cleared the store after nothing suspicious was found. Police arrested a 12-year-old suspect January 28 for allegedly reporting the phony bomb threat.

Source: http://www.hidesertstar.com/news/article_fdf04aa-a6a4-11e4-960e-8b887d45496b.html

31. *January 28, WRDW 12 Augusta* – (South Carolina) **Man arrested in connection to**

Aiken nightclub shooting. Police arrested a suspect January 28 believed to be responsible for opening fire inside the Marlboro Station nightclub in Aiken January 23 that resulted in the hospitalization of one individual.

Source: <http://www.wrdw.com/home/headlines/Man-arrested-in-connection-to-Aiken-nightclub-shooting-290124531.html?ref=531>

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